To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1492 without my signature.

This bill prohibits a health care business from transmitting an individual's health information outside of the United States.

This bill is unnecessary. Existing laws prohibit the sharing of an individual's medical information. The California Medical Information Act and the federal Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act (HIPAA) provide mechanisms to protect confidential information and remedies against those who violate the acts.

Therefore, I cannot sign this measure.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger